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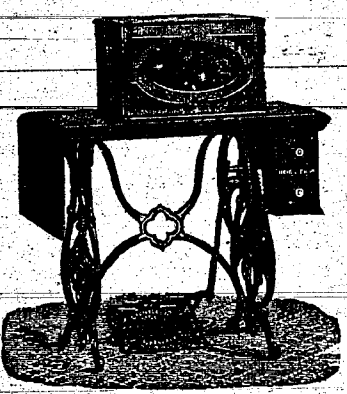
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 —Surf-Bathing.
 —Yachting.
 —Fishing.
 —Clam Bake.
 —That's me!

—I think, all things considered, I
 will go; but first I will need the 30 cent
 Detroit Evening News Guide Book.
 Sends for it and is happy.

—“Buffalo Bill” to-morrow (Friday)
 evening. Let's all go.

—You can't afford to be without
 Warner's Safe Kidney and Liver Cure.
 —Rosecommon is to have a new and
 commodious depot in the course of the
 Summer.

—Mrs. T. W. Mitchell has purchased
 the market building on Michigan Ave.
 of Mr. A. D. Price.

—Sew on your buttons and attend
 the play, but don't let “Buffalo Bill”
 raise your hair.

—“Railroad Crossing” is what the
 new sign reads down by the track near
 the Exchange.

—A new passenger depot is one of
 the things talked of at West Branch,
 which is expected to be built this fall.

—West Branch is to have a new
 Church building, the ground already
 having been broken for its construction.

—A meeting of the Board of Super-
 visors is called to meet at the Court
 House on Monday next, the 13th inst.

—Mr. Walter Deunung, of Manistee,
 is the new clerk at the Company's
 Store. He has a fine address, and
 looks as though he might wear well.

—Mr. Louis Jensen, the affable book-
 keeper of Salling, Hanson & Co., went
 to East Saginaw yesterday, and re-
 turns to-day, on business for the firm.

—Mr. E. W. Garish, of Rosecommon,
 attended the “Widow Bedott” play at
 this place on Tuesday evening last, as
 did also Miss Annie Steckert, of South
 Branch.

—Mr. John Newbold, of Maple For-
 est, has come to town and secured work
 on the new Harder House, which will
 soon be in readiness for guests.

FARM FOR SALE.
 I have for sale cheap, a farm of 20
 acres in northwest corner of Grayling
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—Remember the Helen Coleman
 company repeat Buffalo Bill to-night
 at the Town Hall. Last night it was
 greeted with delight by those present.
 Go and see it. —(Northern Tribune.)

—Messrs. S. Hutt and D. Connine,
 of Pere Cleney, came up on business
 last Saturday, and took in the show at
 the same time. It's a good stone that
 shoots two birds to wunst.

—We learn that Mr. and Mrs. Chas.
 Wilson are soon expected in these parts
 to rusticate and recuperate, visit, and
 chat, do this and that, as their fancy
 leads them, during the rest of the Sum-
 mer.

—Mr. Chas. Homer, of Chesaning,
 well known to our citizens, having pre-
 viously lived in this place, was shot in
 the face while assisting to quell a riot
 at a bowery dance in Chesaning, on
 the 7th inst. Between a lot of show-
 man and the dancers.

—The County Clerk has returned
 to Grayling and resumed his official
 duties and can be found recording in-
 struments till you can't rest, and will
 soon be able to jine the band.

—Buffalo Bill is said to be the best
 play ever presented in Cheboygan, and
 we unhesitatingly assert that the
 “Widow Bedott” is most decidedly the
 best play ever produced in Grayling,
 and that it “afforded us most unmiti-
 gated pleasure.”

—Mr. Hans Mason, a teamster em-
 ployed in one of Hanson's lumber
 camps, successfully loaded and put in
 to the Manistee one day last week 2,400
 feet of logs on wheels at one load.
 Beat it.

—Miss Minnie Donahue departed this
 place on Monday for Lennon, Genesee
 county, which is to be her future ad-
 dress until further orders, and where
 an AVAANCHE will greet her about
 once a week.

—Rev. N. J. Wheeler, (Baptist) of
 Kaleva, preached very acceptably
 at the Hall, on Sunday evening last.
 The elder was here a week, for the ex-
 press purpose of sporting on the Au-
 Sable, and as to how he enjoyed it, we
 refer you to his article in this issue
 under the caption of Grayling Fishing.

—Portage lake, some 3 miles west of
 Grayling, is becoming quite a pleasure
 resort, being visited weekly by tourists
 and others bent on fishing and pleasure
 trips, and well may they do so, too, as
 it is a charming place—one calculated
 to inspire the visitor with feelings of
 pleasure and satisfaction.

—Now, since there is a reporter in
 every corner, will not people have to
 be careful how they gossip about their
 neighbors, and borrow and not return?
 It is thought that that bird which be-
 longs on “W. D. Tarbell's” cultivator
 will be returned soon, as that gentle-
 man cannot use it unless it is. Who's
 got it?

—F. Lombard's Popular Concert
 Troupe, which has become familiar to
 our citizens, having been in these parts
 several times previously, gave an ex-
 cellent entertainment at the Grayling
 Hall on Saturday evening last, which
 was largely patronized and loudly ap-
 plauded, and said to be much superior
 to any previous performance of theirs
 witnessed here.

—Mr. Henry Filley and crew are
 putting the finishing touches on the
 new bridge in Grove township this
 week, and now all that remains to re-
 der the road passable, is the necessary
 grading of the hill on the south side of
 the river. The bridge looks to be a
 substantial structure and speaks well
 for the mechanic, Mr. Filley, who en-
 gineered it so successfully through to
 completion.

—The next time we visit Portage
 lake we are going to hire a guide and
 examine that hole in the water, made
 by that young lady friend of ours last
 Sunday, as it is said to have been a tre-
 mendous big one, and well worth the
 while; but what a pity she didn't fetch
 up some relic of the deep. She must
 have been in an awful hurry!

—M. S. Hartwick took a small trip
 with the Co. Clerk on Monday last,
 and while waiting lunch at the hospita-
 ble manor of Mr. Jacob Steckert, in
 South Branch, waded around in about
 the finest field of clover he ever saw,
 and which stood nearly waist-high, and
 very even and nice throughout the en-
 tire field of 11 acres. This field is ex-
 pected to be mown soon, and is said to
 be the finest piece of clover in the county.

—DENTISTRY. Dr. F. F. Thatcher,
 of the firm of Nichols & Thatcher,
 Bay City Dentists, will be in Grayling
 Friday, June 10th, and remain one
 week, prepared to do any manner of
 dental work. The Dr. is a thorough,
 practical dentist, as our people well
 know, he having been here profession-
 ally some few weeks since, at which
 time he had good patronage with very
 satisfactory results; therefore, all who
 have teeth in need of doctoring in any
 way shape or manner, will do well to
 consult the Dr. on his arrival.

—Our neighbor has been performing
 the air with the odor of super-phos-
 phate. We should much prefer the
 “sweet breezes from Araby.”

—Mr. N. Mickelson and family ar-
 rived yesterday from Manistee, to take
 up their abode with us, as heretofore
 mentioned.

—Rev. Dillesoe, (Danish) of Manis-
 tee, is in the village, the guest of Mr.
 R. Hanson and family, and who comes
 we are informed, to perform the rites
 of Baptism in the family of Mr. Han-
 son.

—Mr. Win. Davidson, who has been
 working at his trade in Petosky, is back
 to town on a short stay, and his friends
 will find him at the Exchange.

—It is rumored that a railroad strike
 is the great excitement in Gaylord, just
 now; the men demanding \$1.75 instead
 of \$1.50 per day.

—Chris. Range has just returned
 from a ten days' visit to Detroit, and
 other parts of the State, and came
 home, we believe, by the way of Elsie.

—The frost that visited this section
 on Sunday night seems to have been
 quite general through the north, and
 must have inflicted much damage in
 the aggregate. In this vicinity corn,
 potatoes, and our native fruits escaped
 without material injury, while the ten-
 der vines, like tomatoes and cucum-
 bers, were badly nipped.

—An English Lord, while engaged
 in a buffalo hunt on our western plains,
 fell in with a Yankee who had travelled
 in England. “And how did you like
 my country?” asked the Englishman.
 “O, it will do to sleep in.” “To sleep
 in?” and what do you mean by that?”
 “O, only that I was afraid to get up
 and go out in the night, lest I should
 walk off.”

—Mr. H. Alger, of Summit county,
 Ohio, is the guest of A. F. Bradley, of
 Grove, and has come to this county
 with a view to permanently remaining
 if things are satisfactory to him after
 more mature inspection. Mr. Alger is
 said to be a school teacher of much abili-
 ty, having taught in the public schools
 of that State for a number of years
 past, with great success, and should he
 decide to remain will add to the com-
 munity.

—There are quite a number of good
 painters in the State of Michigan,
 some of course, being much better
 than others. Now, among the good
 “knights of the brush” we may safely
 class Mr. Hiram Brown, of our village,
 whose work is of superior excellence
 and commands itself at sight. Mr.
 Brown's last or present work is in pur-
 suing the artistic embellishments on
 over a jet black background to the
 large safe in Salling, Hanson & Co.'s
 store, which, when completed, will be
 not only a depository for valuables,
 but a beautiful ornament as well.

—The very laughable and popular
 drama, “Widow Bedott,” was given
 here last Tuesday evening by the Hel-
 en Coleman Troupe. The characters
 were well represented, and the imper-
 sonation of the Widow by Miss Cole-
 man entitles her to high rank as an
 actress. Miss Laura Clarion as Sally
 Sniffles, J. W. Franklin, Thos. Sea-
 brooke, and others, in representing
 characters, and Mr. Frank Wynkoop
 as Elder Shadrack Sniffles, gave us
 unmitigated pleasure in the rendition
 of their respective parts. They were
 greeted with a fair audience, and the
 unanimous verdict was, that “Widow
 Bedott” is simply immense. Every
 one should make it in their way to at-
 tend the Great 5-Act Play of “Buffalo
 Bill” to be given here to-morrow eve-
 ning by this company.

Correspondence.
Grayling Fishing.

—After one of his most celebrated bat-
 tles, Caesar sent back to the Roman
 Senate this laconic message, which has
 added to his fame even more than the
 victory which it recorded: “Veni, vidi,
 victi.” The first piscatorial party down
 the Au Sable this season can adopt his
 language, each one exclaiming with not
 a little of his exultation, “I came, I
 saw, I conquered.” And this is appli-
 cable not only to the gumox grayling,
 vigorously contending against capture,
 but also to the belligerent mosquitoes,
 which just now seem to claim special
 jurisdiction in the forests, and to be en-
 raged toward those who presume to in-
 vade their realm; or else they regard
 themselves as the appointed protectors
 of grayling, and willingly risk their own
 lives in fulfilling their trust. And may
 we not here have an answer to the
 question that has often perplexed suf-
 fering victims of their assaults, “For
 what good purpose were mosquitoes
 made?” Here, at least, they are defer-
 ring the extermination of a fish that
 for gaminess, beauty and flavor have
 few equals and no superiors. In places
 where there are no such beauties
 to protect, their object may be to com-
 pel the lazy to healthful exercise, to

punish the wicked, and to try the pa-
 tience of the saints. But not to philo-
 sophize about these creatures that
 have tested the metal of the greatest
 philosophers, we will simply say that
 we found their flying dragons innum-
 erable, each one's weapon sharpened
 for sanguinary work, and their thirst
 for blood, exelling that depicted in the
 familiar lines:
 “Fe, fe, to fum,
 I smell the blood of an Englishman,
 Dead or alive I will have some,
 Fe, fe, to fum.”

In their insatiate thirst they respected
 neither age, nor sex, nor profession.
 Indeed, they seemed to have a special
 hankering for clerical and editorial
 blood, and, in their determination
 to taste it, broke through bristling abatis-
 of netting and waded rivers of the
 oil of pennyroyal and of other smells
 vainly used to ward off their attacks.
 How many of these venturesome and
 desperate assailants we slaughtered in
 our brave self-defence we will not ven-
 ture to assert; suffice it to say that we
 left hecatombs of their carcasses to fat-
 ten the voracious grayling, or to fertil-
 ize the pine plains which skirt the river.

But the caption of this article prom-
 ises something about grayling fishing.
 It was next to a new experience to the
 writer. He had for years cast the fly
 for the shy trout in Maine and Michi-
 gan waters, and had felt the thrill of
 delight which a true son of Isaac Wal-
 ton never fails to experience when a
 large speckled beauty rises with a
 swirl, seizes the hook, and, with a flash
 of his golden fins, disappears in the
 rapids to struggle for liberty, making
 the reel sing in strains sweet as Or-
 pheus' lyre and the rod bend like an
 aspen in the gale. How does the cap-
 ture of grayling compare with such
 rare sport? It was to decide this ques-
 tion that we sought the Au Sable.

After two days of sporting such as is
 rarely enjoyed, we feel competent to
 testify from experience. Starting down
 the river, the boat guided by the deft
 hand of the editor of the AVAANCHE,
 and two of us handling the rods, we
 descended the first day about fifteen
 miles, fishing only the last two or three.

The grayling were in a biting mood,
 or, at least, they could not resist the
 tempting brown hackle, yellow May
 and white tip flies that we cast
 above them. Though we put back in
 the river the smaller ones, we found
 our catch to number 64 at the end of
 several hours' fishing. The next day
 the weather opened favorably, and we
 floated down the river from the point
 where we ceased fishing the previous
 day, and from late in the forenoon till
 five o'clock our thrilling sport was sus-
 tained without abatement, except the
 noon nooning we took to gratify our
 whetted appetite, and admire the charm-
 ing scenery of the Au Sable. “Beside
 every log where the current ran strong
 and deep, as well as in every eddy
 hole, the lively grayling would rise al-
 most as soon as the fly struck the water,
 often leaping out in their eagerness,
 with a movement more graceful than
 that of a practiced acrobat, and seizing
 the fly as they dove back into their na-
 tive element. Going down the river
 about five miles, and reserving only the
 grayling of good size, we found 101
 in the boat's well at the finish.

As to the comparative gaminess of
 grayling and trout, the former carry off
 the palm in quickness and strength,
 though the trout has greater powers of
 endurance, or its “wind” is better than
 that of the grayling. It is a sharp but
 not long struggle to weary out one of
 these with a fly rod, and the sportsman
 must play with them more carefully,
 as their mouths are tender and a hook
 will easily tear out, unless firmly set
 in the upper jaw. But when a pound
 and a quarter grayling is securely hook-
 ed in the rapids, then there is high sport
 for the one handling the rod. For it
 will run out the reel and resist capture
 with the strength and pluckiness of a
 two pound trout. What a three or
 four pounder would do we cannot tell;
 but judging from the tested powers of
 its undeveloped children, we can easily
 conceive that it would test the strength
 of tip and snell and make the water
 boil and foam far more than did a four
 pound and three ounce trout that we
 once took out of the rapids at the out-
 let of Mooshead Lake.

As to the comparative flavor of these
 two favorites of the sportsman, when
 asked to express an opinion, we find
 ourselves in the dilemma of a husband
 who has enjoyed the society of two an-
 gelic wives, and is requested to decide
 their comparative merits. He was per-
 fectly satisfied with each. Or, in the
 expressive language of Artemus Ward,
 “each is so much like both you can't
 tell 'em from each other.”

The trip was not without exciting
 incident apart from the capture of
 grayling. The most noteworthy was
 trying, apparently to discover where
 the furtive fish were concealed. We
 were descending a roaring rapid, and
 there was a lull in the bites, when the
 knights of the rod were startled by a

sudden jerk of the boat and a loud
 splashing in the water. Was it a buck
 or a bear that had leaped into the riv-
 er? One of the clergymen called out
 excitedly, “Where's my gun?” But a
 glance backward revealed the head
 of our good friend Mac, just emerging
 from the water. He had gone to the
 bottom, but saw stars rather than gray-
 ling, and came up a wiser and wetter
 man. The occasion of the plunge was
 a sudden catching of the anchor while
 descending the rapids. The two elders
 came near receiving a like involuntary
 baptism, which would have been quite
 superfluous, as both of them were Baptists.

The scenery of the Au Sable has de-
 lighted us. A trip down the river, even
 without the thrilling sport of captur-
 ing its finny denizens, would richly re-
 pay a journey to this region. As one
 floats upon its clear, cool waters, he is
 borne now through a winding vista of
 towering pines, which, in the solemn
 shades of evening, seem to form the
 strong pillars of the vaulted sky; then,
 emerging from these, he finds himself
 shut in by the low and dense cedars,
 which, though inspiring less awe, yet
 are not destitute of attractions to the
 lover of nature. Then the river itself
 is full of entertainment. More shifting
 than most rivers, and abounding in
 islands, its surface is constantly chang-
 ing, here smooth as glass, and as clear
 and glistening, too, when the white sand
 on its bottom reflects the sun's rays, and
 there swirling with ripples or laughing
 with rapids, and dark withal from its
 deepened current and brown stone bot-
 tom; while its ever changing banks,
 from abrupt steep to gently rising
 planes, of sedgy shores, these all have
 combined to imprint a picture upon
 our mind which we shall carry away
 and cherish with delight. N. J. W.

PERE CHENEY, May 31, 1881.
 Editor Avalanche.—The people in
 this vicinity have cause to rejoice on
 account of the recent rains. Quite a
 number of our farmers are obliged to
 replant some of their corn on account
 of poor seed. The recent fires in this
 section have done a great deal of dam-
 age to timber and fences. It totally de-
 stroyed the house of E. C. Johnson.

Mr. Sisby is erecting a fine house for
 Wm. Metcalf, and expects to have it
 completed by the last of July. Mrs. S.
 L. Kimberly, of Saginaw City, has
 been here this week preparing to oc-
 cupy her quiet little home at Higgins
 lake. If you see Jimmie Woodburn,
 don't ask him what makes him look
 so pleasant. He says he is tired of
 buying cigars. It is girl 94 pounds.

Pere Cheney thinks there is no pros-
 pect of getting the division of the rail-
 road here, so they have concluded to
 organize a ball club, and those who
 would like a little fun in that line will
 meet at Hutt's store, June 10th. Mrs.
 Cassie Bonnell, wife of G. H. Bonnell
 of this village, died on Friday last.
 The funeral services were held at the
 house where a large number of sym-
 pathizing friends and neighbors met to

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toars. This cotton is afterward squeezed
into a bottle, and the tears are preserved
as a powerful and efficacious remedy for
reviving a dying man after every other
means has failed. It is also employed
as a charm against evil influences. The
custom is probably alluded in Psalm
Lvi., verse 8 : "Put thou my tears into
the bottle." The practice was once uni-
versal, as is found by the tear bottles
which are found in almost every ancient
tomb, for the ancients buried them with
their dead as a proof of their affection.

MICHIGAN LEGISLATURE.

FRIDAY, MAY 27.—SENATE.—The following
House bills passed outside reading: Relative
to Boards of Health and health officers in
townships. The joint resolution relative to
the claim of Pugh and Lowe, ex-Clerks of the
Supreme Court, was lost, reconsideration
tabled.

HOUSE.—Speaker Moffat appointed Repre-
sentatives Belden, G. H. Hopkins, King, Ransom,
and Parsons as a Special Committee on
corruption bills. Representative Smith spent
the day in committee of the whole. Both houses
adjourned until Monday evening.

MONDAY, MAY 30.—The Legislature recon-
vened at 8:30 this evening, with a quorum in
both houses, but little was done. The Gov-
ernor's motion bill—relating to the act which
was the bill providing for the publica-
tion of 30,000 copies of "Michigan in the
War," and the bill to tax telegraph and
telephone lines. By resolution the use of the
House was granted to Soljourner Truth to de-
liver a lecture on Thursday evening.

TUESDAY, MAY 31.—SENATE.—The Senate
passed the House bills to reorganize the Nineteenth, Nineteenth, and Twenty-first judicial
circuits—and to create the Twenty-second
circuit—and to amend the act relating to
plate glass, sash, steam boiler, and fiduciary
insurance companies. The Senate bill to re-
peal the act relative to libel and slander was
lost. The afternoon was devoted to a dis-
cussion of the bill conferring the valuable land
grant in the Upper Peninsula upon the On-
tongon and Brule River marshes. At 6 o'clock
the amendments were voted down, and the bill
passed to a third reading.

HOUSE.—The following passed on third read-
ing, except as otherwise noted: Amending
section 5,237 relative to Probate Courts; amending section 4,407 relative to the inventory and effects of deceased persons; considering and labeled supporting the Representatives in the State Legislature; amending the laws relative to the inspection of mechanics in Detroit; amending section 6,983, relating to the act authorizing the sale of real estate in partition of lands owned by several persons; prohibiting the practice of treating, lost, considered and tabled; for the resulting amendment, the bill was amended so as to bring up 186 of 1879 relative to probate registers, lost, amending section 1,817 relative to support of the poor; amending the game laws.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1.—SENATE.—The Senate in executive session, confirmed the following members of the commission to prepare a budget: John Moore, Saginaw City; C. A. Knaf, Detroit; V. A. Grosvenor, Jonesville; William Chamberlain, Three Oaks. The following resolutions were adopted: Resolving an appropriation of \$25,000 for training school at the Normal School at Ypsilanti. The Senate joined resolution No. 18, for the settlement of the accounts of the late Hon. Justice Arthur of the Supreme Court, was lost. The House bill making a grant of lands for the construction of the Ontongon and Brule River marshes, referred last night, was now taken up, where the Senate is full—perhaps all Friday.

HOUSE.—The following bills passed: Amending the law taxing dogs; to provide for two Judges in the Wayne circuit; a Senate bill—amending the act relating to the purchase of Revised Scriptures be read at the opening services held last night; amending the law regulating the procurement of licenses from County Clerks as preliminary to marriage passed.

THURSDAY, JUNE 2.—SENATE.—The following House bills passed: To increase the Circuit Court fees in Wayne county; for an appropriation to the State Board of Health to buy medicine and foodstuffs; checking in the various townships; consolidating the various provisions to the support of the poor; the joint resolution for an amendment to the constitution; relative to County Comptrollers' accounts. Senate bill—Amending section 1,034, relative to the act amending the Detroit Water works act; the Tanner Police Regulation Law, placing restrictions upon the manufacture of liquor; selling alcohol to children; amending the law of years 27, days 5, joint resolution for an amendment to the constitution, permitting the introduction of new laws. Today in the Upper Peninsula review and passage of laws. The Governor sent in and the Senate confirmed the following nominations: Members of the Michigan Agricultural Experiment Station for Girls, Mrs. Arturtha S. Fuller, of Grand Rapids; Charles R. Miller, of Adrian, four years, from April 1, 1881; Mrs. Eliza D. Steele, of Detroit, for three years, from July 1, 1881; and Mrs. E. Cooley, of Ann Arbor, for six years from the above date.

HOUSE.—The following passed on third reading without dissent: Regulating the fishing and hunting seasons of this State; providing for the disposition of lands granted by Congress to the United States and conferred by the State of Michigan upon the Detroit and Milwaukee railway; for a settlement and compromise of the claims of the State of Michigan against Zachariah Chaudier, lost—years 37, days 40; amending the act to provide Detroit with public water supply; to amend the act for the organization of \$25,000 for a training-school building at the Normal School at Ypsilanti. A resolution offered by Mr. Oliver, increasing the pay of the Clerk Crossman, Assistant Clerks James Page, by an additional \$2 a day, was adopted.

A VALUABLE SECRET.

It is related of Franklin that, from the window of his office in Philadelphia he noticed a mechanic, among a number of others, at work on a house which was being erected close by, who always appeared to be in a merry humor, and who had a kind and cheerful smile for everyone he met. Let the day be ever so cold, gloomy or sunless, the happy smile danced like a sunbeam on his cheerful countenance. Meeting him one day Franklin requested to know the secret of his constant happy look, of spirits.

"It's no secret, doctor," the man replied, "I've got one of the best wives, and when I go to work she always gives me a kind word of encouragement and a blessing with her parting kiss; and when I go home she is sure to meet me with a smile and a kiss of welcome, and then tea is sure to be ready; and, if we chat in the evening, I find she has been doing so many little things through the day to please me that I cannot find it in my heart to speak an unkind word or give an unkind look to anybody."

And Franklin adds:

"What an influence, then, hath woman over the heart of man! to soften and make it the fountain of cheerful and pure emotions. Speak gently, then—happy smile and a kind word of greeting after the toils of the day are over; cost nothing, and go far toward making home happy and peaceful."

"Mr. Brown, couldn't you give me position of some kind with you?" "Very sorry; don't think there is any vacancy in my establishment." "If you have nothing else, employ me as your adviser." "Very well, you may begin to-day." "Advise me how I can best get rid of iron."

THE AVALANCHE.

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THURSDAY, JUNE 9, 1881.

The Fourth of July at Otsego Lake.

Arrangements are still being perfected for a grand celebration at Otsego Lake; G. A. Hough's dramatic company of Detroit, have been engaged to give two entertainments, the first however on Saturday evening preceding the Fourth, and one on Monday evening July 4th. The company is well known throughout the State and the people may calculate on something from them that will be worth their while to attend, and it is hoped that there will be a general attendance, as indeed the outlay to secure them is by no means a small one. On Monday the usual forenoon exercises will be engaged in, while the afternoon will be entirely occupied with boat-racing, sports, games, etc., such as cannot fail to interest and entertain. The committee on sports and games are alive to their duties, and have assured us that a full programme will be arranged. Mr. Manning, the chairman of the committee, has probably had as much experience at boat-racing as any man in Michigan. The train will run between Grayling and Grayling both morning and night to accommodate all who may wish to attend. —[Otsego Herald.]

Correspondence.

PORTLAND, OREGON, May 10th, 1881.

Editor *Avalanche*:—Agreeable to promise, I will now endeavor to send you a few items of interest in connection with my journey from Crawford County to this place. We arrived in Portland the 14th inst., all O. K. We left earth the 26th of April, arrived at Chicago in due time and proceeded on our journey through to Omaha, where the high water obliged us to go to Quincy, thence to Kansas City, thence to Denver and Cheyenne, 516 miles west of Omaha. Here we found Bro. O. R. Goodale and a brother to Jas. Ball, and Lant Thayer, known to Chesapeake folks. We staid there two days. Cheyenne is a fine city in Wyoming Territory, containing some 5,000 souls. Two companies of soldiers are stationed here to keep the noble red man quiet. At this point we start up hill, and the train that carries us is propelled by two powerful engines, (as it is called) of 200 each or less. We found sheep, cattle and horses scattered all over the Rocky Mountain's, plenty of living streams even at the very top, 8,220 feet above the sea, and where it is as warm as summer, but the air is rather light or thin. At Ogden the weather was as warm as I ever saw it at Grayling. Here we changed cars and took the Central Pacific R. R. The accommodations were better on this road. We were provided with sleeping coaches to San Francisco. We had previously been through some extra fine snow-sheds, but on this road we found the grand father of all sheds, being 12 miles in length and of sufficient width for trains to pass and return. Here the snow is perpetual, never leaving, even in the hottest season. After leaving this place we beheld some of the grandest scenery I ever saw in my short life. We commenced to descend through canyons and around mountains of 7,300 feet in elevation. We rounded Cape Horn, where the track is cut around a mountain in the very sides, you look up 2,000 feet, almost straight, while on the other side you look, yes, you do look, and you will hold your breath for just 30—almost straight down, so straight you cannot see the mountain under you until your eyes reach the bottom. Just beyond this we cross the narrow-gauge R. R. 500 feet below, coming out of a canyon, or from some mines in the mountains—this grand in the extreme, and so on down, down, down.

We finally reached Sacramento, a lively city of 50,000 inhabitants. Here we pass into the great California Valley where you see farms as far as the eye can reach, with about 200 wind-mills for each farm, which are necessary for the purpose of irrigation; it looks like a city of mills, and we only tire of looking at them and beautiful scenery along the route, only when night shuts in our sleep, vision, and we go to bed to wake up in Oakland, across the bay from San Francisco, where we are ferried across to Frisco, and breakfast at the American Exchange. We came here on Monday and leave Wednesday at 10:00, on the Steamship Oregon, the finest vessel I ever saw. We got to sea and the vessel began to roll and Mrs. G. rolled into bed, as also Jim and Charlie, and they staid there until we reached the Columbia river. Here is the grandest sight I ever witnessed on water; mountains on one side on which stands a fort, while to the southward the breakers dash for miles. A crooked narrow channel is here encountered and it requires a pilot that knows his business to get through. We had a good one and did not ground, but were 17 hours in crossing the channel. On one side tall channels are huge rocks, and on the other we witnessed the breasting up and total destruction of an immense steamer, and the drowning of 67 other crew.

Now comes hundreds of boats catching salmon, the fishermen seem perfectly crazy, and not a day passes but some poor fellow is drowned. We soon reached Portland, and were surprised at the magnitude of the city. It contains ten banks, and other branches of business represented here are immense. Found some old friends here, but do not find Mr. Pratt nor any of him. I had a short visit with Judge Waldron's wife's brother, Mr. Bailey. He seems to be doing well; runs a 1st class grocery, and employs 3 clerks. Well, this is as far as I have got. —[J. G. GOODALE.]

Grayling, June 6, 1881.

Editor *Avalanche*:—Noticing in the last three issues of your paper items from South Branch, Grove and Grayling in regard to the propriety of organizing a farmers' club, and being interested in the welfare and development of our newly settled country, I

wish to express concurrence with the idea. But to organize and make it useful we must act as well as talk. Instead of allowing our land to grow up to weeds and wild grass, let us investigate and try different experiments, although it be on a small scale. Let every farmer awake to a new interest in farming amid the discouragements of our thin and sandy soil, and success will be sure.

O. J. BELL.

MAPLE FOREST, June 6, 1881.

Editor *Avalanche*:—I am pleased to see that the enterprising farmers of South Branch are interested in organizing a farmers club in this county. The subject has been discussed in this vicinity some time, and we believe that such an organization on right principles would greatly help the farmers of this county. We find in the southern part of the State, Oakland, Genesee and Lapeer counties, the farmers claim to derive great benefit from their club meetings, and that they draw forth a more social and united effort to experiment satisfactorily different modes of farming, and of crops, etc. I believe that just what we need in order to have good productive farms here is an intelligent cultivation of the land—that adapted to the soil and climate. And the time has come when those interested in farming should unite and put forth a strong effort to accomplish what we are all striving for: good farms in Crawford county.

G. F. OWEN.

SOUTH BRANCH, June 4, 1881.

Editor *Avalanche*:—I see by your paper that some of our farmers are agitating the question of a farmers club in our new county. I think it a step in the right direction; but would like to know if the wives and daughters of farmers are to be admitted, if not, I shall vote no every time. Now I will tell you something that perhaps will enlighten you somewhat as to the character of your South Branch correspondents. You know he said he had put in 6 acres of corn, 4 of potatoes, and a good sized garden. Now, he was just 4 1/2 miles from home during the whole process of putting in those crops. I, with the help of my two little boys, one 11 years old, the other 9, put in those crops, and if we raise good corn and potatoes we want to tell you how we did it, as we have used several kinds of fertilizers, and if your correspondents succeed in getting up a farmers club we want to be there and let them know which we think is the best.

A FARMER'S WIFE.

NEW STORE!

Mrs. L. Berka

Invites the attention of the LADIES of Grayling and vicinity seeking economical investment for their money to inspect her SELECT and

COMPLETE ASSORTMENT OF

MILLINERY and

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Also,

DRESS and

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Done in Latest Styles.

Rooms first door North of

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There

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Stock of Drugs, Chemicals,

Patent Medicines, Dyes, Hair

Oils and fine Perfumeries, to be

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in any of the towns

North of Bay City.

There also is kept a full Stock of

Paints, Putty, White Lead, and

Boiled and Raw Oils, Varnishes, Putty

and a full line of Colors ground in oil.

Also a full stock of Kalsomining,

White-washing, Paint, Scrub, Stove

HAIR,

Nail, and Tooth Brushes.

There is also Letter, Cap, and Legal

papers, Mourning paper, Boxed paper

and Envelopes in almost endless variety,

together with Schoolbooks, Blank

BOOKS,

and Miscellaneous Literature.

I have lately added a stock of FURNITURE,

consisting of Bureaus, Wash-

stands, Bedsteads, Cradles, Mattresses

and Springs, Centre, Extension, and

Fall Leaf Tables, Rocking chairs, Arm

chairs, High chairs, Sewing chairs and

chairs of all kinds and descriptions,

Picture Frames and Brackets,

and Towel Racks.

I have also on hand a nice assortment

of CLOCKS, SILVER-PLATED ware,

Jewelry and Spectacles.

I have made arrangements whereby

I can offer Township, School, and Legal

blanks of all kinds, at publishers

PRICES.

I have also a stock of the Daintiest

and New Home, SKEWING MACHINES,

which are the BEST MACHINES in the

market—which, like all the rest of my

goods, have been BOUGHT FOR CASH,

and will be sold as CHEAP as in any

OTHER

market in the State.

To any one in want of goods in my

line, I say, come and examine and see

if these things are not as

N. H. TRAVER.

Michigan Central Railroad.

SAGINAW DIVISION.

Time Table-May 25, 1879.

STATIONS.	Northward.	Bay City Express.	Through Freight.
Jackson, Mich.	7:00 a.m.	4:15 p.m.	6:30 a.m.
Elmer Junction	7:25	4:40	7:05
Mason	8:02	5:15	9:30
Trot	8:15	5:30	10:40
Lansing, Mich.	8:30	5:45	11:05
North Lansing	8:35	5:50	11:10
Bath	8:57	6:10	12:15 p.m.
Lansingburg	9:25	6:35	1:00
Wennington	9:40	6:45	1:40
D & M Crossing	9:52	6:57	2:15
Owasco	9:55	7:00	3:00
Oakley	10:18	7:45	4:10
Chesaning	10:22	7:50	4:40
St. Charles	10:48	8:20	5:05
Yttabawasse	11:18	8:45	6:45
Saginaw City	11:28	9:00	7:15 p.m.
E. Saginaw	11:38	9:10	7:30
F. & P. M. Jun.	11:43	9:15	7:30
Yttabawasse	11:50	9:25	
West Bay City	12:15 p.m.	9:40	
Bay City	12:25	10:00	

STATIONS.	Jackson Express.	Chicago Express.	Jackson Freight.
Bay City	6:30 a.m.	4:45 p.m.	
West Bay City	6:38	4:53	
Elmer Junction	7:02	5:20	
F. & P. M. Jun.	7:13	5:30	
Trot	7:25	5:45	4:45
Saginaw City	7:35	5:55	5:00
Yttabawasse	7:38	5:58	5:35
St. Charles	8:00	6:22	5:40
Chesaning	8:30	6:46	7:20
Oakley	8:50	6:55	7:50
Owasco	8:53	7:00	8:00
D & M Crossing	8:58	7:05	8:32
Lansingburg	9:10	7:08	10:35
Lansing	9:25	8:17	11:25
Bath	9:45	8:30	12:15 a.m.
North Lansing	10:03	8:58	1:05 a.m.
Lansing	10:10	9:05	1:30
Holt	10:30	9:25	2:10
Mason	10:45	9:38	3:00
Elmer Junction	11:27	10:15	4:40
Jackson, Mich.	11:55	10:40	5:45 a.m.

CONNECTIONS.—At Bay City with Bay City Division for Lapeer, Port Huron, Detroit, and all points east, and with Mackinaw Division for all points North, and at Jackson with Main and Air Lines and Grand Rapids Division.

MACKINAW DIVISION.

STATIONS.	Northward.	Freight.	Mail.
West Bay City	6:15 a.m.	8:35 a.m.	8:45 a.m.
Bay City	6:25 a.m.	8:45	8:55
Kaykawin	6:45	9:15	9:15
Panmanning	7:05	9:35	9:35
Standish	11:05	9:40	
Wells	12:10	10:15	
West Branch	2:10	11:10	
St. Helena	3:30	11:47	
Roscommon	4:30	12:40	
Grayling	5:35 p.m.	1:15	
Owego Lake	7:30	2:05	
Gaylord	8:30	3:30	

STATIONS.	Freight.	Mail.
Gaylord	5:00 a.m.	6:30 a.m.
Owego Lake	6:00	6:55
Grayling	7:45	7:42
Roscommon	9:05	8:30 p.m.
St. Helena	10:15	8:55
West Branch	11:15	9:40
Wells	12:30 p.m.	10:25
Standish	2:00	11:05
Panmanning	3:00	11:35
Kaykawin	4:05	12:22
West Bay City	4:30	12:37
Bay City	Ar.	12:45

All trains daily except Sunday.

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Dep. Sup't, Bay City. Gen'l Man. Det.

E. C. BROWN,

Assistant General Supt., Jackson.

HENRY C. WENTWORTH,

Gen'l Pass'r and Ticket Agt. Chicago.

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PROBATE ORDER.

State of Michigan, County of Crawford—ss.
I, the undersigned, Judge of the Probate Court for the County of Crawford, do hereby certify that the will of John W. Weaver, deceased, was admitted to probate on Monday, the 6th day of June, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one.
Present, Adeline Taylor, Judge of Probate.
In the matter of the Estate of John W. Weaver, deceased.
On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of Elizabeth Weaver, praying that a certain instrument, now on file in this Court, purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased, may be admitted to probate.
Thereupon it is ordered, That Tuesday, the fifth day of July, at ten o'clock, a certain time, be appointed for the hearing of said petition, and that the heirs at law of said deceased, and all other persons interested in said estate, are required to appear at a session of said Court, then to be held at the Probate Office, in the village of Grayling, Michigan, at any time and any place, and may the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted. And it is further ordered, that said petitioner, Elizabeth Weaver, give notice to the persons interested in said estate, of the pendency of said petition, and the hearing thereof by causing a copy of this order to be published in the *Standard*, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County of Crawford, for four consecutive weeks, previous to said day of hearing.
ADELBERT TAYLOR,
Judge of Probate.

NOTICE.

U. S. LAND OFFICE.
Reed City, Mich., May 4, 1881.
Complaint having been entered at this office by Reuben S. Babbitt against David R. Spencer for abandoning his Homestead Entry No. 2984, dated July 17th, 1878, upon the W 1/4 of NW 1/4, Sec. 35, T 27 N of R 1 W, Co. Crawford, Mich., with a view to the cancellation of said entry, the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 16th day of June, 1881, at 12 o'clock, to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged abandonment.
EDWARD STEVENSON, Register.
W. R. C. MITCHELL, Receiver.

Administrator's Sale of Real Estate.

In the matter of the estate of John Costello, deceased.
NOTICE is hereby given that by virtue of a license and authority granted to me by the Probate Court of the County of Crawford, and State of Michigan, I will sell at public auction, on the premises to the highest bidder, in the Township of Center Plains, County of Crawford, on Monday, the 28th day of June, 1881, at one o'clock in the afternoon, all the right, title and interest of said deceased, at, in and to the real estate described as follows, to wit: The south-west quarter of Sec. twenty-eight [31] Town twenty-five [30] north of Range three [3] West.
CHARLES D. VINCENT,
Administrator.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

LAND OFFICE AT EAST SAGINAW, MICH., April 29, 1881.
NOTICE is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the County Clerk of Crawford Co., Mich., at Grayling, on the 7th day of June, 1881, viz:
Henry Ball, of Crawford County, Mich., for the S 1/4 of SW 1/4, and S 1/4 of SE 1/4, Sec. 10, T 35 N, R 1 W, and names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz:
George Parish, Wm. Mapes, John W. Mapes, and W. O. Atwood, all of Roscommon P. Co.
14 CHARLES DOUGHTY, Register.

READ THE FOLLOWING TABLE.

AGE OF INSURED:	PER CENT. PAID.	AMOUNT OF INSURANCE	PERI- OD OF BENEFIT
15 to 25 inclusive	30	\$5,000	20
26, 35 "	85	4,500	18
36, 45 "	80	4,000	16
46, 50 "	75	3,500	15
51, 55 "	70	3,000	14
56, 60 "	65	2,500	13
61, 60 "	65	2,000	12